## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the application of:

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For: THREE-DIMENSIONAL CAD SYSTEM

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

January 15, 2002

Dear Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claim 4 to read as follows:

-- 4 (Amended) The three-dimensional CAD system according to claim 1, wherein:

the first part has a relationship to refer to the second part and, when only the first part of these parts is integrated;

data that the identification ID of the second part is unnecessary is stored, and the identification IDs of both of the parts are changed;

the identification ID of the second part is deleted according to the stored data; and

